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CHALLENGE ACCEPTED!!!

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Job Corps and McNeely Pigott & Fox are recognizing female Job Corps students across the country who have accepted the Job Corps challenge during National Women's History Month. The social-media campaign titled, "Challenge Accepted" will feature one woman from each region to be featured on the Job Corps Facebook page and receive a certificate of recognition to include their resume and portfolio.

Jamia Woods completed the Cleveland Job Corps Center's (CJCC) Building Construction Technology (BCT) trade with excellent attendance. Ms. Woods often encouraged female students to consider careers in construction and maintenance. While enrolled in BCT, Ms. Woods demonstrated leadership qualities during a community service project repainting 12,000 square feet at a Hispanic community center. While on her Career Technical Skills Training (CTST) project, she built an outdoor sand volleyball court and in the classroom Ms. Woods assisted her instructor by motivating her fellow classmates. She also raised the bar in her classroom by securing evening WBL employment with the center maintenance crew performing custodial work on Center.

After completing the BCT trade, Ms. Woods enrolled in an off-center Machining program offered by Cuyahoga Community College's (TRI-C) Advanced Technology Academy (ATA). Ms. Woods was faced with some personal adversities while attending the ATA Machining program, but she did not allow that to deter her. Due to her resolve, Ms. Woods was presented the "Perseverance Award" by the Advanced Technology Academy during her graduation ceremony. Although, there have been obstacles, Ms. Woods continues to travel the road to success and remains persistent in attaining her desired goals. She is currently working on obtaining her Associate of Applied Science degree in the Industrial Building Maintenance field through the CJCC Advance Career Training (ACT) program at TRI-C.

Jamia Woods was nominated as the CJCC "Challenge Accepted" campaign because she exemplifies our **Core Values: Commitment, Courage, and Honor**. Ms. Woods is a resilient young woman who strives to improve herself personally and professionally by utilizing the full spectrum of resources and services available to her through the Job Corps program. Throughout her enrollment at CJCC and in TRI-C, Ms. Woods has proven that she is willing to go the extra mile with her unselfish contributions, perfect attendance, and perseverance!



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CD'S CORNER

*This is a story of four people named
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.
There was an important job to be done
and Everybody was asked to do it.
Everybody was sure Somebody would do it.
Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.
Somebody got angry about that because it
was Everybody's job.
Everybody thought Anybody could do it,
but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.
It ended that Everybody blamed Somebody when
Nobody did what Anybody could have done.*
- Unknown

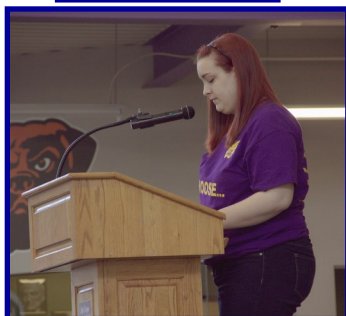


Here at the Cleveland JCC Center, its EVERYBODY'S job to mentor the young adults we have the privilege of being placed guardians over. None of us have the luxury of sitting idly and waiting on someone else, we must all pitch in, work together and lift each other up to ensure our students reach their goals. The success of CJCC rides on EVERYBODY!

Do me a favor, take a moment and think back... back to when you were a young adult. Do you remember those days; days filled with possibilities - yet days of uncertainty; days full of fun - yet days of despair and always a need for guidance? Now... go back again, and this time recall all the influential people who touched your life. Whether we called them mentors, advisers, coaches, teachers, or friends, they made a difference. "It takes a Village to Raise a Child," this is one of my wife's favorite African Proverbs. The basic meaning behind the proverb, is that the upbringing of a child is a communal effort. CJCC is a VILLAGE, it is the responsibility of EVERYBODY to educate, mentor and nurture our students.

When our students leave as graduates, they will remember those individuals who encouraged and guided them. The ones that had a lasting and positive impact on their lives. We are not only blessed to work at a place where we can make a difference in the lives of the young people we serve, but we do so while preparing them for opportunities that may be presented to them in the near future.

Every so often, I have the opportunity to read a letter, email, or overhear a current or past student, saying THANK YOU to a CJCC staff member and that just makes my day. On behalf of all the lives you have touched, I too want to say THANK YOU. THANK YOU for listening, for encouraging, for never giving up, and lastly for being there to help them through this stage in their lives. EVERYONE, let's continue to strive to be a VILLAGE!!!



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

On March 8, 2016, the Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC) hosted their 4th Annual International Women's Day (IWD) Symposium titled **"I CHOOSE..."**, joining people and organizations from all around the world in celebrating International Women's Day (IWD). Nearly 200 students, staff and guests participated in the IWD Symposium. Three CJCC Medical Assistant students presented: "The Butterfly Transformation" speech, Shelby Stewart; "YOU CHOOSE" poem, Havelyn Bownes; and "Balloon Release" exercise instructions, Hope Taylor.

The event's keynote speaker, Latisha Taylor, is a domestic violence survivor and author of **"From Abuse, To Struggling, To Who Am I?"** She is also the founder and owner of the You Can & You Will organization and JJT/YCYW Publishing LLC, that inspires the youth to believe that through struggle, they can find their purpose. Taylor shared her story of surviving domestic violence, overcoming a learning disability to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Author, and Motivational Speaker. She also stressed the importance of believing in oneself and not allowing your past, environment, associates or family discourage you from accomplishing your goals.

Break-out session speakers featured during the IWD Symposium included, **"Building A New You,"** Talisha Cooper, from the Urban League of Greater Cleveland; **"Domestic Violence 101,"** Eris Eady, from the Domestic Violence & Child Advocacy Center; **"Self-Defense Training,"** Officer Anthony Harper, from the Cleveland Division of Police's RAD training; and **"Human Trafficking 101,"** Ruthmary Powers, from the Collaborative to End Human Trafficking. Representatives from each of the agencies answered questions, and provided valuable information about local resources and services.

The focus of the 2016 IWD Symposium was to raise awareness around the issues of violence against women and equip our students with information and resources to hopefully deter students from falling prey to violence.



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JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY

The Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC) recently entered into a partnership with John Carroll University and signed a MOU for CJCC students to work during the 2016 Republican Convention.

Initially, Director of Custodial Services, Kimberlee Trumbo at John Carroll University, requested 35 students from the construction trades to work in the areas of custodial and facility maintenance from May to August. Upon knowledge of such a wonderful opportunity CJCC Facility Maintenance Instructor, Robert Peck began carefully screening and selecting potential students. In February, Ms. Trumbo changed her request and hired 11 CJCC students on the spot for various shifts in the area of custodial services. The students began their new work assignment this month.

Ms. Trumbo issued the following statement: "As the Director of Custodial Services for WFF Facilities Services, I am extremely pleased and excited about the relationship we have established with the Cleveland Job Corps. Cleveland Job Corps has been invaluable in providing a viable, energetic, enthusiastic workforce on the John Carroll University Campus. There are approximately 11 students, from various trades, utilizing the skills and talents they have been taught at Job Corps, working alongside staff on this campus. The students are engaged and excited about putting the classroom skills to use in a real work place and we here at John Carroll are ecstatic about the energy the students bring to campus every day. This partnership gives the students an opportunity to not only use their Job Corps training, but are continuing to grow and develop the training they are receiving on campus. This is a win-win situation and should be modeled and utilized by other businesses in the community. We will continue to partner with Job Corps in the future and expand upon the solid foundation that has already been established. Thank you Job Corps for being a good business partner, community leader, and for training a skilled workforce."

CJCC VS. 5TH DISTRICT POLICE

The Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC), hosted its first ever Community Basketball Game on March 3, 2016. The event was held in the CJCC recreation facility and drew a nice crowd in spite of the snow and cold temperatures. CJCC Bulldogs maintained control of the game outscoring the away team, 80 – 46.



CJCC and the Fifth District Neighborhood Police are both committed to advancing the mission of public safety and a healthy community relationship. This was a wonderful event that demonstrated team work, as well as, offered the Cleveland community, CJCC and the Fifth District Neighborhood Police a chance to unite through positive partnerships and to enrich public safety awareness as a whole. CJCC Social Development Director, Woody Allen said he was thrilled with the turnout of this inaugural event and hopes it will outgrow CJCC's gym and move to a bigger stage in the future.



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Staff of the Month

Melonie Harrell
Career Services Secretary



~She keeps the career service office moving with her upbeat attitude. She performs tasks with no push back which is a sign of a true team player. She is an employee who actually walks the walk and not just talks the talk.

~She is always there to help out others when needed and is an all-around great team member and co-worker.

~She goes over and beyond the call of duty EVERYTIME and she also has a passion for the students that is almost unparalleled. She's dedicated and reliable in every sense of the word.



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SUCCESS LAST A LIFETIME

Eighteen year old, Eric Grays enrolled in Job Corps because he wanted to pursue a promising career that would help him provide for his three month old son. In November of 2012, the Cleveland native began a new chapter at the Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC). Initially, Mr. Grays had interest in the Facility Maintenance trade; however, the trade was full so he decided to enroll in Carpentry. With needs of providing for his son, Mr. Grays assumed he would be able to rapidly complete the program; however, he was mistaken. Although, Mr. Grays really enjoyed Carpentry and was gaining a considerable amount of knowledge from his instructors, he began to get apprehensive. His instructors were instrumental in mentoring and motivating him to consider how completing the training would assist him in providing for his child's future.

He stayed the course! When he graduated from CJCC in September of 2013, Mr. Grays gained employment with 3D Real Estate at their Shaker Hall Apartment building location doing general apartment maintenance for two years. Currently, Mr. Grays is working for Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) that provides housing for 55,000 low income residents. Mr. Grays is working full time as a Service Person IV and will be promoted to Service Person V later this year. A typical day of work for Mr. Grays may include handling emergency work orders such as changing pipes, snaking plumbing, changing insulation in attics, retiling floors, building decks, and more. He enjoys working for CMHA as part of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) and the benefits that they provide for him and his family. Mr. Grays stated that this is his ideal job and he plans to continue working at CMHA until he retires.

Mr. Grays advice to CJCC students is to just stick with it and stay motivated. He also went on to say that attending Job Corps was one of the best decisions he made.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

Dress for Success Spokesperson Representative, Mary Deske spoke to the Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC) Nurse Aide class on February 29, 2016. Ms. Deske discussed proper job etiquette, provided mock interviews and resume writing advice. She also explained the importance of maintaining a positive attitude on the job and what to wear to an interview, because first impressions do make a difference. At the end of her presentation, Ms. Deske gave everyone gifts; the ladies received handbags and the gentlemen neckties. "It was a pleasure to have Ms. Deske here and hopefully she can come visit again," stated CJCC Nurse Aide Instructor, Carla Widener, LPN. Dress for Success services individuals of all ages. Clients are given interview attire once they gain employment and are provided eight to ten more occupation specific garments, as well as a week's pay. Dress for Success clients also receive financial planning, job readiness and job retention services.





POETRY CAFE

"From the moment Breanna Moss entered my classroom I could tell she was quiet and shy," explained Lynette Greene, Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC) Academic Instructor. "Moss did everything right, she was polite, engaged and she had a hunger that radiated in her down cast eyes!" During one of Green's Round Robin reading groups, Breanna was asked to read aloud, as she read her words were very soft yet quite eloquent, discovered Green.

Driven to know what treasures were concealed inside this divine vessel and how such articulation could be hidden; Green had a conversation with Moss after class. Green soon learned that Moss was dealing with a few common phobias that many CJCC students experience due to being in a new place and meeting new people. The next day Moss shared a poem she had written, this led to a discussion about leadership. Moss expressed her enthusiasm for Job Corps and assisting other young ladies like herself. During the conversation, Green asked Ms. Moss if she would be interested in presiding over the poetry club, and with a resounding "Yes" the Poetry Café was born!

While Moss is still a bit shy, she has really begun to come into her own; she is very mobile around campus inviting others to join her in an evening of writing and sharing poetry. Her downcast eyes have begun to shift upward and she is becoming quite a social BUTTERFLY!

NJCA CONFERENCE

Twice a year Job Corps Center Directors, Business Community Liaisons, and corporate staff travel to the Washington, DC area to attend the NJCA conference. The conference allows center staff, operators, and government officials the opportunity to view and discuss current issues facing the Job Corps (JC) program on a National level, in addition to new and upcoming policies that affect JC. While in DC, CJCC Center Director, William Houston and CJCC Business Community Liaison, Harriet Hadley visited the congressional staff on Capitol Hill, updating them on current JC outcomes, student achievements, as well as soliciting their ongoing support of the Job Corps program.



The Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC) was recognized by the National Job Corps Association (NJCA) on March 3, 2016 in Arlington, VA as a Gold Star Center. CJCC has earned the Gold Star honor for four consecutive years under the Serrato Corporation. The NJCA Star Program recognizes the outstanding community outreach and educational efforts of JC Centers. These efforts are headed by the CJCC Business Community Liaison, Harriet Hadley along with the Community Relations Council and Industry Advisor Council. CJCC would like to extend a heartfelt "THANK YOU" to all of our community, commercial, media, educational and congressional partners for your unwavering support of the CJCC.



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Human Immunodeficiency Virus
(HIV) Information Session
NEON Ms. Regina Craig Evans
Wellness Dept.



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Arionn Simmons
Kenshawna Cannon
Darneise Lewis
Dion Lozada
Shaquala Garvin
Eijah Hatcher
Shawnda Hanson
Steven Burns
DeionTray Lewis
Candace Gary
Andre Lewis
Tommie Larry
Pierre Long
Darielle Clark
James Martin
India Totten-Williams
April Rogers
Irakoze Abudu
Tayron Drankard

Lasaundra Johnson
Omar Jones
Kareem Walton
Jasmine Parker
Alvin Dotson
Ashlee Williams
Shawnee Ransom
Jasaun Wright
Tyrez Bowden
Rakia Hollis
Dartavius Harris
Jacob Buckley

TABE

Christopher Brown- Math
Edward James- Math
Australia Evans- Math
Angelisa Block- Math
Shawnda Hanson- Math
India Totten-Williams- Math
Jordan Pruitt- Math

Oshiana Peck- Math
Zane Sullivan- Math
Tamara Lenix- Math
Zion Sullivan- Math
Edward James- Math
Mikalya Standberry- Math & Reading
Darnell DePriest- Reading
Omar Jones- Reading
Shawntay Hanson- Reading
Dante Manigault-Reading
James Martin- Reading
Alexis Abbey- Reading
Robert Bagley- Reading
Breana Vinson- Reading
Carlesha Bounds- Reading
Dartavius Harris- Reading
Gared McGlothran- Reading
Emani Jones- Reading

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Nichelle Fluellen

MEDICAL OFFICE

SUPPORT

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Destiny Williams
Emon Harris

PHARMACY TECH

Andre Lewis

STATE TESTED NURSING

ASSISTANT

Tyrone Wilsom
Taylor Biles
Dominique Whitfield
Raskia Hollis
Jasmine Spencer
Kareem Walton
Shawnee Ransom

Dion Lozada

Tamara Lenix

Brian Gales

De'onshana Drummond

Specialle Burston

Shaquayka Garvin

CERTIFICATIONS

Ra'Niesha Rembert- CBCS

Kayanna Mitchell- Cert. EKG

Emon Harris- CMAA

Ramesha Keith- CMAA

Akiree Foster- CPR

Hope Taylor- CPR

Ilana Upshaw- CPR

Tyren Jethrow- CPR

Megan Murff- CPR

Sandi Buchanan- CPR

Tiara Williamson- CPR

Alexis Santiago- CPR

Kyla Clark CPR

Demetrius Barrino- CPR

Dominique Okafor- CPR

Kailynn Conner- CPR

Ronald Johnson- CPR

Antonio Smith- CPR

April Rogers- CPR

Briana Gales- HHA

Tamara Lenix- HHA

Dion Lozada- HHA

Alexis Martin- HHA

Specialle Burston- HHA

De'Oshana Drummond- HHA

Imani Jines- HHA

Darniese Lewis- HHA

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BRICKLAYING

Lagainless Bost

CARPENTRY

Marian Gbaya

O'Neal Farrar

Devonte Hall

SIGN & DISPLAY

Kadeem Adams

Vicente Rodriguez

CERTIFICATIONS

Demetrius Davis- IMI Masonry Tool User

Lagainless Bost- IMI Pre Apprentice Cert.

Kadeem Adams- IUPAT Pre Apprentice Cert.

Vicente Rodriguez- IUPAT Pre Apprentice Cert.

Marian Gbaya- UBC Pre Apprentice Cert.

O'Neal Farrar- UBC Pre Apprentice Cert.

Devonte Hall- UBC Pre Apprentice Cert.

Anthony Bojdo - NCCER Core Curriculum

Chris Brown - NCCER Core Curriculum

Nautyca George - NCCER Core Curriculum

Wayne Hinkle - NCCER Core Curriculum

DeShaun Jarvis - NCCER Core Curriculum

Bryan Nicholson - NCCER Core Curriculum

Attila Pest - NCCER Core Curriculum

Tevin Pierson - NCCER Core Curriculum

Maurice Smith - NCCER Core Curriculum

Bruce Wesley - NCCER Core Curriculum

Steven Burns - NCCER Core Curriculum

Kevin Dixon - NCCER Core Curriculum

Tivon East - NCCER Core Curriculum

Dartavius Harris - NCCER Core Curriculum

Edward James - NCCER Core Curriculum

Devaunte Johnson - NCCER Core Curriculum

Nate Johnson - NCCER Core Curriculum

James Martin - NCCER Core Curriculum

Shaynautica Scruggs - NCCER Core Curriculum

Sabrina Simmons - NCCER Core Curriculum

Rashaan Williams - NCCER Core Curriculum

Michael Woodruff - NCCER Core Curriculum

Glen Wright - NCCER Core Curriculum

Austin Pittmon - NCCER Core Curriculum

Sharvelle Burns - NCCER Core Curriculum

Marcus Carter - NCCER Core Curriculum

Erika Lottier - NCCER Core Curriculum

Jordan Pruitt - NCCER Core Curriculum

Javares Sims - NCCER Core Curriculum

Dante Thompson - NCCER Core Curriculum

DeAndre Welch - NCCER Core Curriculum

Milton Williams - NCCER Core Curriculum

The Word on the Street...!

March has been an event-filled month for the ladies of the Cleveland Job Corps Center (CJCC). Following the IWD kick-off, the ladies enjoyed various programs and activities that took place during the entire month of March including: "Proper Facial Techniques and Applying Makeup 101" by Mary Kay Representative, Darlene Mallett; Monday Movie Madness (female focused movie selections); Night of the Arts (enjoying female only open mic - poetry, singing, rapping and canvas painting while relaxing and being served lemonade, tea and pastries); "You Choose" by Project Love Facilitator, Julie Winn-Martin; "Scenes from the Living Room, Stage Play" written and directed by CJCC Academic Instructor, Lynette Greene; and "Women's Bowling Night." Additionally, the Regency Beauty Institution located at 34999 Euclid Avenue in Willoughby, OH donated Total Beauty Makeovers which included shampooing, hair color, hair styles, manicures and makeup applications to seven CJCC ladies.



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